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BAND FUND BOOST — Russ Force presents a check for \$100 from the Sandhills Shrine Club to Dennis Houston, O'Neill band instructor, to help send the combined band to Indianapolis.

Vogel Voted Best Speaker By Toastmasters

The Holt County Toastmaster's club met at regular meeting Thursday night at City Hall. At the conclusion the club voted Elmer Vogel's speech the best at the meeting. Orville Kasche, best topic speaker; Walter Fick, most improved speaker and Stanley Lambert was judged best speech evaluator of the evening. The Toastmaster's club meets every two weeks.

Dates Set for Party Ideas Exchange Meet

Party ideas including food and centerpieces from materials around home is the theme of the series of meetings to be held in Holt County in early May. The six meetings are open to the public. Party games, and centerpieces will be demonstrated. Film strips on party foods will be shown. Home Extension clubs are setting up exhibits of party ideas at each of the meeting places. Prizes for special activities and refreshments will be included in the program.

Catherine Indra, County Agent, will present the demonstration and film strips. Chairmen in charge of the meetings in each county are: Atkinson, Mrs. Louis Siebert; Chambers, Mrs. George Fullerton; Ewing, Mrs. Vearl Tuttle; O'Neill, Mrs. Charles Bellin; Page, Mrs. Edgar Stauffer; Stuart, Mrs. Wesley Cobb.

Dates are: May 2, Ewing Methodist church; May 7, Atkinson KC Hall; May 9, Page Methodist church; May 10, O'Neill Armory; May 13, Stuart Auditorium and May 14, Chambers Methodist church. All meetings begin at 2:00 p. m. except the one in O'Neill which will begin at 7:30 p. m.

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EIGHTEEN NEW MEMBERS of Thespian Troop 882 were initiated Wednesday afternoon at the ceremonies held in the O'Neill High School auditorium. New members of the local chapter include Diane Graves, Esther Young, Joyce Harmon, Sally Burney, Richard Frost, Kenneth Peacock, Karen Perry, Connie Morrow, Lois Anderson, Verna Butterfield, Laurel Haynes, JoAnne Maschl, Dvaine Skopec, Dennis Wells, Bob Halstead, Keith Krugman, Jay McCoy and Greg Derickson. President Betty Morrow conducted the formal ceremony of explaining the seven phases of the Thespian society—speech, dance, music, writing, literature, Thespis, and theatre—with the aid of the present members. Mrs. Alice Berigan, sponsor of the local Thespian chapter, recited the Thespian oath and declared the membership of those initiated.

Leo Witherwax Injured In Blasting Accident

Leo Witherwax, 21, Lynch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Witherwax, was injured Monday afternoon in a blasting accident. He was taken to St. Anthony's hospital and transferred Tuesday to a Sioux City hospital.

He lost part of the first two fingers on his left hand, and his right eye was injured.

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Band Group To Meet Tuesday

There will be a special meeting of the O'Neill Band Boosters, Tuesday in the band room of the public school, beginning at 8 p. m. Dennis Houston and Mrs. Robert Forwood, O'Neill Band Boosters president, said the meeting would be for the purpose of acquainting people with the arrangements that have been made to date in regard to the Indianapolis trip. Parents of all students who are registered for the trip and trip sponsors are urged to attend. Anyone else interested in the development of instrumental music in the community is invited to attend too, since this meeting like all meetings of the O'Neill Band Boosters, is open to the public.

Mrs. Forwood said reports will be given by committee chairmen. This will include a detailed report from Neil Harshfield, finance committee chairman. During music contest time, it was learned from Eugene K. Scull, contest judge from Lincoln, that the Beaver Crossing Band has attended the "500" festival; the band director there when contacted indicated that Beaver Crossing would like to go again.

C of C Turns Proposals To Board of Directors

Over 30 Chamber of Commerce members turned out for the regular meeting held Monday evening at the Tropical Gardens. One new member, Ivan Nason, owner of Helen's Flower Shop, was present.

Poppy Day Planned In O'Neill Saturday

The O'Neill American Legion Auxiliary will hold their annual Poppy Day, Saturday, according to the publicity chairman. The proceeds received from the sale of these poppies are used to help the veterans in the hospital.

Land Bank Officials Attend Conference

Lyle P. Dietrich, manager and Ed Verzal, assistant manager of the Federal Land Bank Association of O'Neill, recently attended a two-day conference at the Nebraska Center on the campus of the University of Nebraska's college of agriculture, Lincoln. The meeting was sponsored by the Federal Land Bank of Omaha, which is owned by 99 farmer and rancher owned associations in Iowa, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming. About 50 managers, appraisers and bank officials attended.

Niobrara River Assn. To Meet Here Tuesday

The annual meeting of the Niobrara River Basin Development Association will be held in O'Neill on Tuesday evening, May 14, at the O'Neill Country Club. A steak dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m. with the convention committee of the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce in charge of the dinner.

Farm Bureau to Meet At Bassett Monday

Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting of the Rock County Farm Bureau on Monday, May 13, at 8 p. m. in the high school gymnasium in Bassett.

Page Girl Places In Music Contest

Virginia Sojka, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sojka, Page, played a number of required music selections at the National Guild Music contest held at Norfolk Friday, May 3.

Rites Planned Friday for Mrs. Harrington

Funeral services for Mrs. J. J. Harrington, 90, will be held Friday morning at St. Patrick's church with the Rev. Robert Duffy, officiating. Interment will be at Calvary cemetery. Pallbearers will be Ira Moss, George McCarthy, Peter Morgan, Leo Mullen, J. R. Gallagher and H. E. Coyne.

Rites Are Held At Ewing for Anna M. Ruther

Funeral services were held for Anna M. Ruther, 77, Page, at St. Peter's Catholic church, Ewing, Wednesday, with Father Peter Burke, officiating. Burial was in Calvary cemetery, O'Neill. Pallbearers were Melvin Michaels, Clarence Hansen, James Sobokka, Richard Voelker, Duane Allen and George Hall.

Anna Goedde, the daughter of Frank and Regina Keuka Goedde, was born August 8, 1885 at Mt. Carmel, Ia. She married John R. Ruther, May 1, 1905 at Butte. They became the parents of eight children. Survivors are sons, John and Robert, Inman, Jerome, Page, daughters, Mrs. Ann Schulte and Mrs. Mary Bolin, Denver, Regina Ruther, Raylins, Wyo., Mrs. Agnes Knell, Bartlett, brother, Tony Goedde, World and a sister, Mary Goedde, Denver. Her husband and a daughter Mrs. Esther Jansen preceded her in death.

Building Permit Granted For New Gas Station

Building problems occupied members of the O'Neill city council Tuesday night as they granted five building permits for homes, two for garages and one for a filling station.

Applicants for the home building permits were Ware Construction company, three homes; and Leslie Repenning and Cleveland Construction company, one each. Leonard Olberding and Richard Hovey applied for the garage permits.

Apco Oil Co. was granted the application for a service station at the corner of First and Douglas streets.

Hiway 20 Board Hires E. Shill As Representative

The Executive Board of Directors of the Hiway No. 20 Association met at the Tropical Gardens on Friday, May 3. The Board interviewed and hired E. H. Schill, Sioux City, for the position of Highway 20 Representative to the Sioux City Chamber of Commerce.



JEANIE FOREMAN REIGNS as Queen of the Prom this spring at the O'Neill High School. James Van Vleck was crowned King at the dance following the junior-senior banquet Saturday evening. Senior attendants were Judy Smith, Kathryn Perry, Steve Reynoldson, and Denny Drayton. Queen Jeanie was crowned by Principal Mary Miller and King James received the royal derby from Supt. H. L. McCoy.

Stuart Athletes Plan Slave Sale

The Athletic department of Stuart High School is having a Slave Auction May 18 at 8 p. m.

Two Injured In Accident At Atkinson

ATKINSON — Two persons are in an Omaha hospital and a third in the Holt County jail as a result of a two-car accident at Atkinson Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Larson, Springfield, were listed in serious condition and have been transferred to Omaha. Their car was struck by an automobile driven by James J. Brotsky, Atkinson, on Highway 20 on the north-east edge of Atkinson about 5:45 p. m. Saturday.

Mr. Larson suffered a crushed hip and broken leg and Mrs. Larson a broken leg and other injuries.

The Larson's with their two children, Curt, two and one half years, and Connie, 15 months, and James Larson, Springfield, along with Charles E. Hughes, Atkinson, were eastbound, enroute to Omaha at the time of the accident.

The left side of the Larson car was sheared off and according to Patrolman Robert Gade, who investigated, Mr. Larson probably owes his life to the fact he was wearing a seat belt.

The two children were treated at the Atkinson Hospital. Curt was released Saturday night and Connie Sunday. The other two passengers were not injured.

B. O. KY, driver of the other auto, is now in the Holt County jail. He and his passenger, Robert Pease, Atkinson, owner of the automobile, were not seriously injured.

Both cars are believed to be total losses. Another car, being towed by the Larsons, was damaged to the extent of about \$75.

Brotsky pled guilty to drunken driving and was sentenced Monday by Judge Cronk to three months in the county jail, a \$100 fine and he is not to drive a car for three months after his term is served.

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Benzens to Observe 25th Anniversary

Open house will be held for Mr. and Mrs. Jack Benzen Sunday, May 19, at their home in Naper from 2 to 5 p. m. in observance of their 25th wedding anniversary.



TWO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1913 were honored Sunday night at the St. Mary's Alumni Banquet. They were Mrs. P. B. Hartly and Mrs. J. an Hickey. Shown here left to right are Rev. Francis Price, Mrs. Hartly, Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Leo Mullen, Sister M. George and Rev. Robert Duffy.



BAND AUCTION spectators helped raise the "500" fund by about \$200 Saturday as they purchased articles donated to help send the band to Indianapolis.